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1. Considerable friction has developed among the different Chinese Communist factions. The USSR does not put much faith in the MAO Tse-tung and CHOU En-lai cliques and the Soviet authorities fear that the groups controlled by these men might carry out hostile acts toward the USSR and discontinue warfare against the Chinese Nationalists in the event of a Third World War. LI Li-san and LIN Feng, leaders of the International Communist Faction (in Manchuria) have the complete support and trust of the USSR because these men believe in world-wide Communism rather than a nationalistic form of Communism. LI Li-san has the support of the young pro-Soviet Chinese Communists in the Northeast because (1) Communist victories in the winter offensive came as a result of the plans he initiated after his return from an "inspection tour" of the USSR in November 1947, and because (2) through his efforts a "Soviet Manchurian People's Republic" was established soon after his return.
2. From 19 February to 29 February 1948, the Chinese Communist Sungpei (宋佩) Clique pasted approximately 3000 written slogans on the walls of Harbin and distributed a considerable number of handbills following the arrest of members of the Sungpei Clique. The handbills consisted of several hundred words opposing the civil war and opposing the USSR and explaining that the Communist doctrines were more or less the same as Dr. SUN Yat-sen's principles, and therefore the Chinese Communists should not join the International Communist bloc. Some of the slogans were:

"Oppose MAO Tse-tung's Civil War"

## "Abolish All Strikes"

## "Oppose Forced Evacuation"

"The Communist Principles Definitely Oppose Civil War"

"Oppose Soviet Intervention in Chinese Politics"

"We Do Not Need Soviet Russia's False Assistance Which Is Meant To Suck The Blood Of The Chinese People"

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**Comment.** The information in paragraph 1 and the slogans in paragraph 2 possibly indicate three major factions in Chinese Communist-controlled areas: LI Li-san's International Clique, MAO Tse-tung's National Clique, and the Sungpei Clique which appears to be anti-LI, anti-MAO and anti-USSR.)

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